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Martin Bormann

On October 17, 1969, NY T-1, with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine the reliability of the information furnished, advised that he has reason to believe that Martin Bormann, "former high Nazi official, who was responsible for numerous atrocities committed in concentration camps during World War II", is living in a compound about one hundred twenty miles from Asuncion, Paraquay. NY T-1 characterized this compound as an area which houses several thousand German expatriates. He said that he is conducting a one man crusade to force Bormann to stand trial for his many crimes.

NY T-1, while visiting this compound in January, 1969, under the guise of a merchant, confronted a person whom he believed or imagined to be Martin Bormann, but had no definite basis for this assumption. He added that Bormann is residing at the compound under the name, Juan Gestell.

NY T-1 added that it is his understanding, based on information from a person whom he did not wish to identify, that in addition to Bormann there are two other former German officials residing at the compound, namely, Doctor Joseph Mengele and Hans Mueller, both of whom, according to the source, committed atrocities at concentration camps during World War II.

MY T-1 was reluctant to furnish explicit details leading to the discovery of Bormann's whereabouts other than

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the fact that he learned from a plastic surgeon in Brazil, that this surgeon had performed a facial operation on Bormann.

NY T-1 stated that while at the compound, he learned that there were underground laboratories, but did not know the nature of the work being done in these laboratories. He said that it is his own personal opinion that this could well be a base for flying saucers.

NY T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information concerning NY T-1 in February, 1969:

In 1957, NY T-1 was arrested in Tel Aviv, Israel, on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, conspiracy to commit a felony and uttering a false document. He was sentenced to two and one-half years in prison. He was released on parole on February 14, 1960.

According to NY T-2, NY T-1 is wanted in Germany for theft of gems, and is a known liar and has incurred many civil suits in various European countries.

The files of the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D. C., contain a report from the American Embassy at Tel Aviv, dated December 20, 1949, cor arning NY T-1. The American Embassy report noted that NY 11 was preoccupied with some unusual theories and that he showed some mild mental aberrations.

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